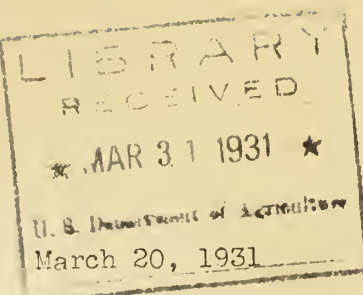


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THE HAMBURG AND COPENHAGEN APPLE MARKETS

Supplies of American apples on the Hamburg auction Thursday, March 19, were even larger than last week, according to a cable from Fred A. Motz, Fruit Specialist in Europe for the Foreign Service of the Department of Agriculture. In spite of the heavier supplies, prices advanced for most varieties in good condition. The offerings consisted of 64,000 boxes, 17,000 barrels and 36,000 baskets, compared with 103,000 boxes, 11,200 barrels and 12,300 baskets last week, and 53,000 boxes and 230 barrels at this time last year. The large supplies of apples in baskets and their somewhat unsatisfactory condition resulted in lower prices for baskets. Good stock in baskets made satisfactory prices, however. Boxes and barrels sold at higher prices than last week, but the average price for the latter was lower due to some lots which were unsound and had to be sold at low prices.

APPLES: Quantities of American apples offered at the Thursday Hamburg auction in the past six weeks

	February 12	February 19	February 26	March 5	March 12	March 19
Boxes.....	90,000	86,000	67,000	75,000	103,000	64,000
Barrels....	4,000	10,000	15,000	12,300	11,200	17,000
Baskets....	600	2,000	20,000	21,000	12,300	36,000
Total in terms of: boxes	102,600	118,000	132,000	132,900	148,900	151,000

American apples made about the same prices at the Copenhagen auction Tuesday, March 17, as last week. Washington Winesaps, Extra Fancy 150/175, sold at \$2.68 to \$2.86 as against \$2.63 to \$2.80 last week and the Fancy 150/175 size made \$2.62 to \$2.74 per box. Inquiry was strong for Winesaps. Extra Fancy Oregon Newtowns, 150/175, made about \$2.86 compared with \$2.80 to \$2.92 last week and Fancy, 150/175, sold at \$2.49 to \$2.62 against \$2.55 to \$2.68 last week. Newtowns moved rather slowly at these prices. The Copenhagen prices are slightly below those ruling at Liverpool and Hamburg for the same varieties.

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Prices paid for American fruit at Hamburg

Variety, grade and origin	Price		
	1930		1931
	March 20	March 12	March 19
APPLES	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Albemarle Pippins, Va.....	-	-	6.43-8.22
Winesaps, Va.....	-	-	5.96-8.58
Romes, Pennsylvania.....	-	5.84-7.62	5.96-8.58
York Imperials, Penn.....	-	7.86-8.10	5.96-8.58
Yellow Newtowns, N. Y.....	-	-	6.55-8.10
Starks, N. Y.....	-	5.96-7.03	4.05-7.50
Russet, N. Y.....	-	5.84-7.62	4.76-8.34
Rhode Island Greenings, N. Y.....	-	5.48-6.79	6.55-8.10
Baldwins, N.Y.....	-	4.05-7.62	4.29-6.91
Ben Davis, N. Y.....	3.33-5.60 <u>a/</u>	4.53-8.10	4.76-7.86
<u>BASKETS</u>			
Winesaps, Idaho.....	-	-	2.02-2.50
Baldwins, N. Y.....	-	1.91-2.62	1.91-2.50
Starks, N. Y.....	-	-	1.55-2.38
Romes, Penn.....	-	2.38-2.86	1.91-2.38
Albemarle Pippins, Va.....	-	-	2.98
Staymans, Va.....	-	2.02-2.14 <u>b/</u>	1.55-2.38
<u>BOXES</u>			
Winesaps, Wash.			
Extra Fancy 138/163.....	2.86-3.10	2.98-3.33	2.98-3.33
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	2.74-2.86	2.62-2.98	2.74-3.10
Fancy 138/163.....	2.74-2.86	2.86-3.10	2.86-3.10
Fancy 188/smaller.....	2.50-2.74	2.62-2.86	2.62-2.98
Newtowns, Oregon			
Extra Fancy 138/163.....	3.57-3.93	2.62-3.04 <u>c/</u>	2.86-3.10
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	-	-	2.62-2.86
Fancy 138/163.....	3.33-3.93	2.50-2.86 <u>c/</u>	2.62-2.86
Fancy 188/smaller.....	3.33-3.57	-	2.62-2.74
Ortleys, Oregon			
Extra Fancy 138/larger.....	-	-	2.62-2.98
Extra Fancy 138/163.....	-	2.62-2.80	2.86-3.57
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	-	-	2.62-2.98
Fancy 138/larger.....	-	-	2.38-2.74
Fancy 138/163.....	-	2.62-2.98	2.50-3.10
Fancy 188/larger.....	-	-	2.62-2.74
Arkansas Blacks, Oregon			
Extra Fancy 138/163.....	2.62-2.98 <u>a/</u>	2.86-3.10	2.86-3.10
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	-	-	2.62-2.86
Fancy 138/163.....	-	2.86	2.92
Fancy 188/smaller.....	-	-	2.38-2.74
C grade 188/smaller.....	-	-	2.14-2.50
Romes, Oregon (faced).....	-	-	2.74
Spitzenbergs, Oregon.....			
Fancy 138/163.....	-	2.62-2.86	2.62

NOTE: Quotations are for fruit in good condition unless otherwise noted.

a/ Virginia. b/ Pennsylvania. c/ Abundant supplies. d/ Washington.